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SABBATH TRAGEDY

An Early Morning Cutting Affray.

A. L. SIMMS STABS THEO. GARTIN

**Gartin is Dead and Simms is in Jail—
Details of the Horrible Tragedy
as Brought Out at the Coroner's Inquest—Preliminary Examination.**

On Sunday morning about 4 o'clock, in the Parlor Exchange, Theodore, better known as "Doe," Gartin and A. L. Sims, engaged in a fight, which resulted in the death of Gartin.

The details of the affair are about as follows and are taken from the statements of witnesses before the coroner's jury:

An hour earlier than the tragedy occurred Gartin had a quarrel with Florence Mahlies, a prostitute, in the wine room in the rear of the saloon, and the woman threw dishes at Gartin and he in turn threw a revolver at the woman.

Simms, who was not present at the row in the wine room, remonstrated with Gartin for having a row with the woman, and was told by Gartin that it was no affair of his and advised him to keep out of it. Gartin invited every one in the house to drink, and while at the bar Simms kept talking to Gartin about the quarrel with the woman, and Gartin became angry at his remarks and pulled a gun and struck Simms over the head several times with the gun. After the first blow Simms drew a knife and stabbed Gartin in the abdomen. Gartin dropped his gun and Simms continued to use the knife until interfered with by the bystanders, one of whom took the knife from him at the point of the revolver.

When Gartin staggered back Simms said, "I've killed him and I'm glad of it." In a moment afterward he expressed regret for his action.

Al Hudson, one of the witnesses to the affray, picked up the gun Gartin had dropped and asked Simms to give up his knife. This he refused to do, when Hudson told him he would kill him if he did not hand over the knife. Simms then handed over the ugly weapon. The knife used by Simms was a long hunting knife, and keenly sharpened.

Gartin was placed on a table, and Drs. Robinson and Miller were called, and were joined by Dr. Brannen. Gartin was horribly cut. There were four wounds in the left side of the abdomen, one large enough for the bowels to protrude. There were three openings in the large bowel made within a space of eight inches. His left wrist was cut across, as were his fingers. The injuries were dressed by the physicians as best they could. It was evident that at least two of the wounds were fatal. Gartin was removed to the Carrollton Hotel, and died about six hours later.

Simms, who was employed as car repairer at the Arizona Lumber & Timber Company's shops, after the fight went to his room in Milton, where he

was arrested by Sheriff Johnson and taken to jail to await an examination, which takes place to-day.

"Doe" Gartin, who was a cripple, his left leg having been amputated below the knee several years ago, was well-known here. He had been in charge of the crap game in the Parlor Exchange, and had but recently returned from a visit to his former home in Missouri.

Theodore Gartin leaves a mother, sister and two brothers, A. R. and Bert, who reside in Winslow. Another brother resides at Kansas City. They were all here Monday to attend the funeral, which took place from the Adventist church at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon, and was largely attended by friends of deceased.

T. A. Flynn has been retained by Simms as attorney and he will be assisted in the defense by E. E. Ellinwood.

Simms has been here but eighteen months, coming here, it is said, from Texas. He was known by his acquaintances to nearly always carry his knife, and has on more than one occasion threatened to use it. The revolver used by Gartin in the fight was found on examination after the affair to be unloaded.

Coroner Quinlan summoned a jury Sunday and an inquest was held Monday. The jury returned the following verdict:

We, the undersigned, the jurors summoned to appear before the coroner on the 20th day of October, to inquire into the cause of the death of Theodore Gartin, having been duly sworn according to law, and having made inquisition after inspecting the body and hearing the testimony adduced, find that the deceased was named Theodore Gartin; that he came to his death on the 20th day of October, 1901, from wounds inflicted by a knife in the hands of one A. L. Simms, with the intent to do great bodily harm to said Theodore Gartin, and we do recommend that the said A. L. Simms be held to await the further action of the court.

A. A. DUTTON, Foreman.
JOHN I. REILLY,
FRANK L. LIVERMORE,
E. M. TACKETT,
H. C. LOCKETT,
JAMES L. BYRNES.

The Preliminary Examination.

The preliminary examination of A. L. Simms took place before Justice Quinlan this morning. Simms was represented by E. E. Ellinwood and Thomas A. Flynn and District Attorney Jones and E. S. Clark appeared for the prosecution.

A legal battle took place between the opposing counsel as to whether Simms should go before the grand jury on a charge of murder or manslaughter. The decision of the court was that Simms be held to appear before the grand jury on a charge of manslaughter. Bail was fixed in the sum of \$5,000, in default of which he was remanded to jail.

When the editor of this paper wants to buy a pound of butter or a sack of flour he does not go around asking merchants for bids. The Lord deliver us from the chap who wants bids every time he buys a pair of socks.—Prescott Courier.

SNAKE LIES.

By Prominent Liars—Lied Especially for the Sun.

"Climate," said old John Lance, as he hooked up his belt another notch, to make his liquor go to the bottom slower, "climate differs a heap in different places, an' I 'spose that's what makes the difference in climate."

"Speakin' of the soopreemist un-hot weather I ever 'sociated with, I gess it wuz up in Montany, way back in the arly figgers of histry. Ter repeat ez how it wuz cold ain't sorter sizin' up the game."

"By the great sufferin' Cyrus, ef the rivers didn't commence freezin' et the bottom till the hull river was plumb friz."

"Must have froze up the fish, didn't it?" inquired the inevitable doubter.

"Naw; them fish hed lived there afore. They jest kep' comin' to the top till they all went skatin' along on the top—made some on 'em swear, though, when they struck a dam."

"Coal got skurce thet winter, an' I remember a feller went out with a waggin lookin' fer wood. He dug down inter the snow, an' grubbed up whut he thot wuz a lot of sticks, brought 'em up ter his house an' dumped 'em near the fireplace. An' may I dream I'm dead if thay didn't thaw out the all-firedest lot of snakes thet ever got unwriggled."

"He hed ter put out the fire and go over ter the nabers till they got friz up agin. Fact, b'gosh."

"We hed a 'musin' sperience thet winter with them air snakes thet come nigh bein' serius. Sum of us fellers picked out a few of the smaller-sized ones and used 'em fer canes, an' one day we happened ter be a-discussin' of the water works with the water committee, an' laid 'em all down together. The diskushun got so all-fired hot thet them air snakes all got thawed out. When them snakes woked up thay got mad 'bout one er the other of 'em steppin' on the other of 'em's waggen end; an', stranger, yer oughter a-been in the next county an' heard that air fight."

"We wuz hangin' round on some of the hat hooks, others wuz huggin' high places, watchin' the heap of squirmen' angrieness. Thay got ter swallerin' each other so fast thet it looked like a game of trusts, whare thay wuz tryin' to git fewer stockholders."

"Putty soon a big feller swelled out like old P. J. Morigin, and thay wan't none left but him. Everybuddy claimed thet air snake, an' the hull crowd come nigh mixin' up things with their hackin' tools, an' may I be cut up inter town lots ef, while us fellers wuz throwin' conversashun et each other, thet air blamed snake didn't stick his tail into his yawp an' swaller himself."

"Nobuddy dast tell me I lied; fact, sir. All thet wuz left wuz a dampspot an' the trubble we hed hed."

Mohave County Mining.

The Tonopah Bonanza brags of the rich ore shipped from that camp, but its quoted returns of ore values is not quite up to standard of the ores of Mohave county. It gives the return of 16½ tons of ore from the Brounger Bros. lease that averaged \$376.41 per ton.

This is nothing to the results obtained from the mines of this county.

Fourteen tons of ore from the Night-hawk mine, Layne Springs, netted \$19,500 after deducting smelting charge of \$20, packing \$2.50 and hauling \$4.50 to the ton.

The G. A. R. mine at White Hills shipped a 16-ton car of ore that contained \$18,000. Other small lots of ore have given as high as \$8,000 to the ton.

A shipment from the Metallic Accident in early days gave a return of over \$16,000 to the ton in silver. Today the values being extracted from the ores of the Golden Gem mine exceed by far the values contained in the richest ores so far shipped from Tonopah, and yet there is no excessive crowding over it. In the C. O. D. mine there is seven feet of ore that runs over 80 ounces silver and nearly one ounce gold to the ton, while there is three feet of ore that contains 2,200 ounces silver and several ounces gold to the ton.

Mohave county is by far and away the best mining field on the Pacific coast to-day, and mining investors recognize the fact and are putting their money into mining enterprises in this county. We have all the necessary facilities for cheap mining, and before another year rolls around the great electric possibilities will be taken up to aid in broadening the scope of mining possibilities in this part of the territory.—Mohave Miner.

THE ALBUQUERQUE FAIR.

The Most Successful Affair of the Kind Ever Held in New Mexico.

On Tuesday, October 24, opened the Twenty-first Annual Territorial Fair at Albuquerque, N. M. It was the most successful fair ever held in New Mexico. On Monday the visitors began to arrive, and kept pouring in until by Wednesday evening it was almost impossible to get a room in the city.

The formal opening took place at the fair grounds at Old Town Tuesday afternoon, the opening address being made by Governor Otero of New Mexico. The governor and staff arrived Monday night, and were met at the train by the fair committee and escorted to their carriages. Headed by a band the gubernatorial party were conducted to the Commercial Club, the New Mexico Guards acting as escort.

After the formal opening of the fair by the governor the program was carried out as arranged, with a few additions.

The baseball was all one could wish for, the National Leaguers playing, resulting in a victory for Albuquerque. The horse racing was exceedingly good, trained horses from Colorado entering. Troop G, United States cavalry, stationed at Fort Wingate, were one of the features of the fair, with their sham battles and drills. The Navajo Indians with their native dances, in Indian costume, were the leading feature of the entire exposition.

Friday was Elks' day and the evening was the maskers' night after ten o'clock. The Elks' ball was held at Colombo hall, and all who were fortunate to be present said it was something to be remembered.

The cowboy tournament was very good. The hall of exhibits was crowded, each county sending their share, and was very good.

The fair closed Saturday night, and everyone went their way thoroughly satisfied with the week's entertainment. The baseball teams left for El Paso Saturday night, where a series of games will be played, from which place they intend touring the republic of Mexico.

Flagstaff was well represented at the fair. Among the notable guests from Arizona was Governor N. O. Murphy, who took a prominent part in the statehood convention, putting in a good word for Arizona always.

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